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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Special programs on Thursday and Friday, May 7 and 8, will herald establishment of the Sigma Xi Chapter of Youngstown State University as the "Centennial Chapter" of this national honorary research society.

Dr. C. Ian Jackson of New Haven, Conn., executive director of Sigma Xi, will take part in the charter presentation and installation of officers Friday (May 8) and will deliver the Centennial Chapter Lecture that evening.*

The advancement of the YSU Sigma Xi Club to chapter status comes during the 100th anniversary year of the society, whose purpose is the sharing of knowledge and the promotion of scientific research. YSU's Sigma Xi Club has been affiliated with the national for 16 years but now becomes a chapter. Membership is limited to those who have demonstrated the capacity for research.

Centennial Chapter has some 100 members, mostly faculty, but also including graduate students and some persons in medical and other professions in the community.

The national organization has nearly 500 chapters and clubs and a membership of more than 100,000.

In addition to the Friday events, Sigma Xi is sponsoring an interdisciplinary science conference entitled "Research Day on Campus" from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, May 7.

University faculty members and administrators and staff leaders from St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center will present a series of lectures on scientific/medical topics. The lectures will be in the Scarlet and Carnation Rooms of Killcawley Center and are free and open to the public.